



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

February 27, 2015

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Subject: HAVANA, CUBA LEGAT OFFICE/1960'S &
1950'S

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As a result of your administrative appeal to the Office of Information Policy (OIP), Department of Justice (DOJ), your request was remanded back to the FBI for a Declassification Review for the (b)(1) material. A supplemental release of information concerning Havana, Cuba Legat Office/1960's & 1950's is being made to you.

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information Acts (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions:

Section 552

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71 pages were reviewed and 71 pages are being released.

☐ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government agency(ies) [OGA].

☐ This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.

☐ We are consulting with OGA(s). The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is finished.

☐ In accordance with standard FBI practice and pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552/552a (b)(7)(E)/(j)(2)], this response neither confirms nor denies the existence of your subject's name on any watch lists.

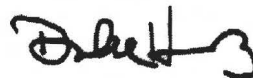
For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions.

☑ You have the right to appeal any denials in this release. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's eFOIA portal at <http://www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html>. Your appeal must be received by OIP within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☐ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s). Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosures (2)

cc: Mr. Little

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ON 02-23-2009

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Date: November 1, 1949

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AIR POUCH

To: Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: HAVANA OFFICE
ADMINISTRATIVE

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For your guidance, it is deemed desirable at the present time to reiterate the Bureau's interest in subversive matters as they affect the internal security of the United States. It is desired that you make sure that you are adequately covering intelligence matters as they pertain to internal security and that such information is furnished to the Bureau. You should be very careful not to infringe on the jurisdiction of CIA but at the same time you should be sure that the developments which are of interest to the Bureau in its coverage of internal security questions are promptly brought to its attention.

In this connection, you should continue to follow the activities of the Cuban Government with regard to Communism and the Soviet representatives and agents in Cuba and furnish such information to the Bureau. You should also obtain and submit the information available to the police regarding the underground activities of the Communists and their efforts to form front organizations. (U)

It is requested that you endeavor to cover the Soviet and satellite diplomatic missions with regard to both their general activities and the identities, activities and movements of their personnel. It is felt that this matter is of vital importance. (U)

It is further requested that you develop coverage of Soviet and satellite couriers on ships and planes going out of Cuba, especially those who might be directly or indirectly enroute to the United States. You should likewise endeavor to ascertain the identities and contacts of Communist seamen couriers on ships arriving in Cuba. (U)

You should also keep the Bureau advised of the efforts of Communists to travel to the United States as well as similar efforts on the part of Soviet or satellite nationals. An attempt should be made at the same time to ascertain the identities of the individuals in the United States whom these persons hope to contact, regardless of whether or not the subjects are successful in obtaining permission to come to this country. (U)

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It is further requested that you stay abreast of the political situation in the Caribbean in so far as it might affect the internal situation in the United States and that you keep the Bureau promptly advised. In this connection, you should report important political matters and the use of Cuban bases for political activities directed at other Caribbean countries. (S)

(U) It is desired that you endeavor to cover the above subjects and that you be alert for similar matters which are of interest to the Bureau. It is believed that most of this material can be obtained from your police sources, which, as you have indicated previously, are in a position to furnish information on a wide variety of subjects. It is also desired, however, that you exhaust all other possible sources. In this connection, nevertheless, it is pointed out that in developing such sources you should exercise care and discretion in order to avoid any possible criticism from other branches [of the Embassy.] (S)

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SECRET AIR COURIER

Date: June 29, 1951

To: Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: RELATIONS WITH THE EMBASSY - *American*

Reference is made to your letter dated April 24, 1951 relative to the announced nomination of Mr. Willard L. Beaulac as Ambassador to Cuba. For your information and guidance in your relations with Ambassador Beaulac, the following information appears in the Bureau's files:

Personal Background

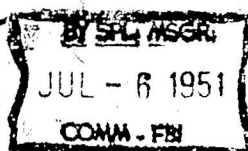
Summary

Ambassador Willard L. Beaulac was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, July 25, 1899. He attended Brown University from 1916 to 1918 and obtained a degree of Bachelor of Foreign Service from Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., in 1921. He subsequently served as a clerk in the Bureau of Internal Revenue for a short time.

He entered the Foreign Service in 1921 as Vice Consul in Tampico, Mexico. He has also served in Chile where he was a member of the Plebiscite Commission handling the Tacna-Arica Arbitration in 1926. In addition, he served in Haiti, Nicaragua and Salvador. In 1937 he was appointed Counselor of the American Embassy in Havana, Cuba, and while at that post, served as a member of the International Labor Organization in 1939. In 1941, he was transferred to Madrid, Spain, as Counselor to Ambassador Carlisle. (64-3700-182)

cc - Foreign Service Desk

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Relations with Ambassador Beaulac

(U) (S) Mr. Beaulac was named Ambassador to Paraguay in March, 1944, but did not depart for that country until August, 1944. In January, 1946, it was stated that in Paraguay Mr. Beaulac had been very cooperative with Bureau representatives. Ambassador Beaulac became very concerned about the possible withdrawal of the Bureau from foreign intelligence work in Latin America and he was very glad later on when he learned that the Bureau would continue to operate in the SIS field. (64-4506-156, 209)

In April, 1945, the Legal Attache in Asuncion, Paraguay, advised that by his attitude Ambassador Beaulac had indicated that he considered political reporting to be a function of the State Department and the Legal Attache, therefore, adopted the practice of advising the Ambassador verbally of any political development of importance such as employee strikes or undue political unrest. Written memoranda on specific topics of a political nature were also furnished to the Ambassador dealing with such matters as the names and identities of persons arrested by the police for political activities and similar matters which the Legal Attache's office could obtain readily on a more reliable basis than could the Embassy. These practices were well received by Ambassador Beaulac. (64-4506-182)

On January 31, 1946, Ambassador Beaulac saw the Director, at which time Mr. Beaulac expressed very strongly his views concerning the efficiency of the Bureau and the assistance which the Legal Attache had furnished at the American Embassy in Paraguay. The Ambassador was very much concerned over the future prospects of world intelligence, particularly with regard to the possibility that the FBI might be withdrawn from it. (64-4506-214)

When Mr. C. H. Carson visited Paraguay in August, 1946, prior to the final termination of the SIS Program, he interviewed Ambassador Beaulac and described him as having been a particularly strong supporter and advocate of the Bureau in its work in (S) (u)

the Bureau's police liaison officer in working out friendly relations, etc., with the Paraguayan Police. (62-80750-184)

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Mr. Beaulac was Ambassador at Bogota, Colombia, at the time of the Bogota incident in April, 1948, when rioting occurred there during the conference of American Ministers. At that time, Mr. Beaulac stated, in general terms, that his own experience with the Bureau had been very favorable, implying that he was dissatisfied with the intelligence which he had received from CIA at the time of the Bogota incident, although he did not commit himself on the subject of his dissatisfaction. (S) (64-3201-977)

Attitude towards Spanish Question

In June, 1946, the Legal Attache at Asuncion advised that Mr. Beaulac had very definite ideas on the Spanish question and that he frequently pointed out that, in his opinion, the Spanish Republicans throughout the world have attempted to confuse the situation by trying to convey the idea that the whole Spanish Government is Falangist and that there is no difference between pro-Franco activities and pro-Falange activities. Mr. Beaulac stated that he was pro-Republican and anti-Franco but that our Government made certain promises to the Franco Government during the war, and he was bitterly opposed to any action being taken against Franco by the United Nations. During and immediately after World War II, both Mr. Beaulac and former Ambassador Carlton E. Hayes, who served in Spain during the war, were targets for frequent newspaper criticism in the United States for their supposedly pro-Franco stand. (64-3700-E-23)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba

SUBJECT: LISTING OF DELINQUENT INVESTIGATIVE MATTERS
(Havana, Cuba)
ADMINISTRATIVE

DATE: March 7, 1953
Havana, Cuba

Rebulet November 28, 1952 instructing that this office submit for the next six months on a bi-monthly basis a list of the delinquent investigative cases.

Such a list was submitted with Havana letter 1-12-53.

Attached hereto is our listing as of 3-1-53.

Attachment

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LISTING OF DELINQUENT INVESTIGATIVE MATTERS
HAVANA OFFICE
March 1, 1953

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Received 9-6-51



A current report on subject is now being prepared and will be submitted in the very near future.

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Bufile 100-395564
Received 10-21-52

See Bulet to Havana 1-12-53. Awaiting results of Washington Field investigation.

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Bufile 100-395564
Received 12-19-52

This is to ascertain from [redacted] formerly [redacted] formerly [redacted] information re subject. [redacted] requested 11-20-52 for this information, but he is still making search for records. Expect to report within a short

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VIENNA PEACE CONFERENCE
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Bufile 100-361031
Received 12-16-52

Case opened to report Cuban participants. See HAV let. 12-16-52. closing report to be submitted in near future.

ENCLOSURE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. BELMONT

1-Mr. Belmont

DATE: February 11, 1960

1-Mr. Parsons

1-Mr. Mohr

FROM : MR. FROHBOSE

1-Mr. Callahan

1-Liaison

1-Mr. Donahoe

1-Mr. Estill

SUBJECT: HAVANA OFFICE, ADMINISTRATIVE

(U) The deteriorating situation in Cuba prompts an examination of the Bureau's position there, suggests policy change re security work, and will not permit use of clerk's apartment for contact meetings.

Fidel Castro launches vitriolic tirades against the United States almost daily. The Cuban Government is actively promoting a so-called neutralist bloc against the United States. A Soviet scientific and cultural exposition was opened in Havana last week by [redacted] b6 b7C

Some eighty Soviets are in Havana ostensibly in connection with the exposition. We also expect trade discussions and possibly political discussions with Soviet representatives. The procommunist orientation and influence of Castro's Government is beyond question.

The Embassy telephones are monitored. International telephones are monitored. We believe mail is censored. At least one person holding a diplomatic passport and one person holding a special passport have been subjected to custom searches on arrival in Havana. The Legat fears Castro's regime will do everything possible to embarrass the Embassy and especially the FBI office in retaliation for the recent arrest of Castro's agents in Florida for conspiring to kidnap a Cuban exile in the United States.

Domestically, law enforcement in Havana has reached a low ebb. Responsible Cubans have expressed fear for their wives and families to be on the street. They also fear that, in a crisis, Castro will incite the mobs to take repressive action with consequent pillage and slaughter.

The work of our Legal Attache (Legat) is increasingly difficult and perilous. While we have retained a few reliable contacts in police agencies, career men held over from previous administrations, they are falling one by one. The Director of the National Bureau of Identification was discharged February 3; his house searched and personal files, books, and letters seized. Sarcastic comments were made regarding his friendship with the United States and the Bureau. He is in danger of arrest as a counterrevolutionary. The Chief of the Laboratory was discharged February 3. The head of the Alien Control Section of the Cuban police, our paid informant, has been under investigation suspected of being pro-American. His integrity is above dispute, but he may be retired. All contacts fear retaliation if their cooperation becomes known to their superiors or Castro henchmen.

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: HAVANA OFFICE, ADMINISTRATIVE

(U) By letter 2-4-60. Legat proposes the use of the [redacted] to meet contacts clandestinely in lieu of parks, restaurants and cars as he now does. [redacted] b7E
(U) [redacted] for any other fixed meeting spot could not furnish full security from alert investigators in a hostile country. Neither do cars, parks, etc., afford satisfactory security particularly for frequent contact. A calculated risk is inherent in these operations. If caught, we furnish fuel for Castro's propaganda and not only might we be embarrassed but the Nation's diplomatic position might be adversely affected.

In American eyes, Central Intelligence Agency if caught is trying to carry out its responsibilities. We, however, would appear as interlopers. While our office has performed effective work for the Bureau and for the country, discretion here may be the better part of valor.

(U) RECOMMENDATION: That we turn down the Legat's request to use the [redacted] but lay down new policy and guideposts for the operation of the office, per attached letter. b7E

For the time being, the Legat should concentrate on criminal matters, giving the impression that he is solely concerned with such work to the exclusion of security and intelligence interests. Contact with security informants is to be reduced to a minimum though he will continue to pay them in order to hold together a base from which rapid expansion can be made if that becomes desirable. Information from them will be accepted when contacted but he will not direct their work into any channel that would expose the operation to risk. He is to temporarily desist from efforts to expand coverage in intelligence and security fields. While the Bureau will cease to press the Legat for coverage of specific leads in these fields, the Bureau will continue to keep him fully advised of developments and information received domestically in order that he will have advantage of this. He will continue to report such information as he picks up there.

The Legat is being called on to furnish his on-the-spot estimate of coming events in Cuba, particularly as they will affect his office. Under the new policy, he is to consider physical danger of personnel, advisability of continued assignment of female personnel effect on informants and sources, and the over-all possibilities of embarrassment to the Bureau. Such a letter is attached. It also cautions him re conduct of employees to prevent embarrassment, realerts him to security of office and instructs him to expedite recommendations on maintaining contact with sources and informants in the event the office must be closed. He is instructed not to hesitate to request a conference at the Seat of Government if he feels it warranted.

I don't think we should give up just because the going is difficult. I suggest we call the Legat Attache in for conference on these matters. b7E
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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ON 02-04-2009

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 4, 1960

FROM : Legat, Havana (66-0)

SUBJECT: Cuba
HAVANA OFFICE
ADMINISTRATIVE

As the Bureau is aware, there is much anti-American feeling in Cuba at the present time, particularly on the part of prominent government officials. It has come to Legat's attention that various individuals have been dismissed from government employment and they have been informed that such dismissals were due to the fact that they were too friendly with U. S. Government officials in Havana.

On February 3, 1960, [redacted] who has had a Cuban Government position for over 40 years and who was head of the National Identification Bureau of the Cuban National Police, was removed from his position and was informed by [redacted] that this removal was due to the fact that he was too "pro-Yankee."

INFORMANT

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It is to be noted that [redacted]

[redacted] office, has an apartment centrally located in a large apartment building in the Vedado Section of Havana. The building does not have a doorman or anyone to observe visitors on arrival. The elevator is self service and the signal board on the ground floor has no marking which indicates where the elevator stops in this 5-story building. It is believed that this apartment could be used during business hours for the meeting of some informants.

Informants, such as [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] could be met here without arousing any suspicion. Of course, arrangements will be made for the contacting of such informants at this apartment in such a manner that they will not become known to one another.

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[redacted] has voluntarily offered her apartment for the meeting of contacts of this office whenever such is deemed advisable by the Legat. [redacted] had a roommate who shared the expenses of the apartment with her. At the present time she lives alone and has a maid who comes in at a specified time once a week. The rental on this apartment is \$160 per month which is \$43.34 above the allowance which [redacted]. It is Legat's opinion that this apartment may be used to advantage for the meeting of certain informants who can be contacted there at irregular hours.

Legat requests permission to use this apartment as a meeting place for informants and to reimburse [redacted] for use of her premises in the amount of \$43.34 per month. Although [redacted] has voluntarily offered her apartment without charge, Legat believes that she should be reimbursed for the use of it.

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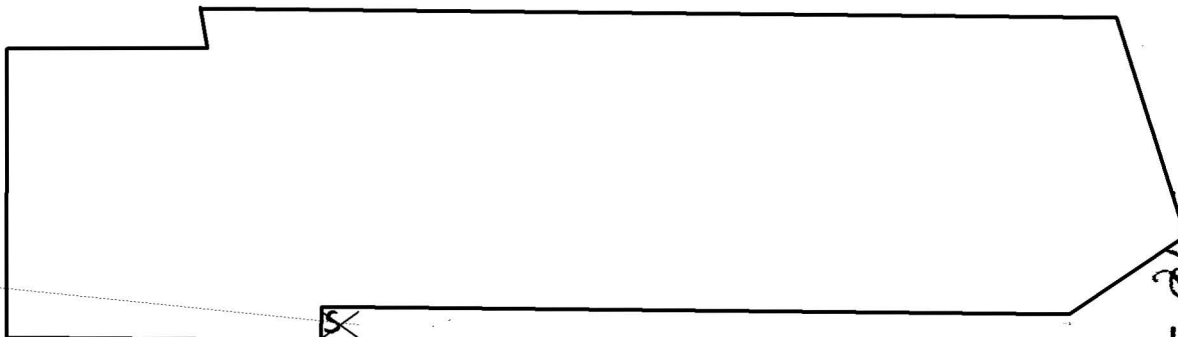
Legal Attache, Havana

February 24, 1960

Director, FBI

LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA Cuba

This confirms items discussed by you at the
Bureau 2/18-19/60.



Effective immediately, you are authorized to destroy closed files on a selected basis at the end of one year for criminal and applicant files and at the end of three years for security-type files. You may also forward to the Bureau for safekeeping any files, material, or records, which cannot be destroyed under the above authorization but which you feel should not be in the Havana Office. Material in informant 1-A files may also be destroyed each four months following the four-month authorization request in which the productivity for the period is summarized. You are authorized to order the withdrawal of female personnel and the families of Agents to the nearest port in the United States without prior Bureau notification and without waiting on State Department to so authorize provided it is clearly understood that no such action will be taken except in an extreme emergency where communications may be cut off or there is mob action and it is necessary to move fast in order to get the people out of Cuba.

You should exploit every possibility for coverage as possible in the communist field. Renewed emphasis should be given to attempting to keep in contact with known anticommunist leaders and solicit their assistance in an attempt to penetrate the communist apparatus in Cuba. You should likewise make every effort to give coverage to the expansion of Nationalist Party in Puerto Rico (NPR) activities.

1- Miami

1- Foreign Liaison Unit (detached)

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NOTE: SEE MEMO BELMONT TO PARSONS, 2-23-60, SAME CAPTION. WVC:ef

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Letter to Legal Attache, Havana
Re: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

(U) in Cuba and a separate letter has been forwarded to the San Juan Office requesting that they give consideration to the possibility of sending Puerto Rican informants to establish themselves in the Puerto Rican exile group in Cuba. (S)

You should see to it that information of a political nature is forwarded to the Bureau promptly so that the Bureau may be fully and promptly advised of developments.

(U) With regard to the long-range problem of emergency channels of communication, should diplomatic relations with Cuba be broken, you should set up a system of recognition with selected informants and contacts with whom contact should be maintained so that a stranger may be directed to them and by use of a password or similar device be recognized as having been sent by you. They are not to be informed at this time who might contact them. Mexico City and San Juan Offices are being instructed separately to select from among their present informants and contacts several individuals who could be used in the event of an emergency as couriers to contact our sources and informants in Cuba. You should endeavor to expand your contacts among American airline personnel of Mexican, Cuban, and Venezuelan lines flying in and out of Cuba. You should not anticipate they will be approved to serve as such at this time but contact with them should be started so that they can be called upon if a break in diplomatic relations appears imminent. (S)

(U) The question of assigning undercover Agents to Havana with a newspaper cover or a manufacturer's representative is being studied at the Bureau and you will be advised separately with regard to this matter. Meanwhile, you should continue to explore other possibilities for assignment of undercover Agents in Cuba. (S)

(U) So long as the tense situation exists in Cuba, you will be called to the Bureau for two-day conferences on a quarterly basis and you are authorized to proceed to Miami at least once a month for conferences with that office regarding the Cuban situation. Also, when it becomes necessary for you to leave Havana for more than 48 hours, you should advise the Bureau by cable on an unless advised to the contrary basis and advise who will be acting in your absence. This rule will continue so long as the tense situation exists in Cuba. (S)

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM LEGAT, HAVANA NO. 76

SECURITY OF OFFICE, LEGAT, HAVANA. SMALL FURNISHED
 APARTMENT REASONABLY NEAR EMBASSY RENTED FOR \$80 PER
 MONTH, MARCH 9 LAST FROM ORLANDO OSLE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LONG-TIME OFFICE CONTACT. [REDACTED]
 ANTI-CASTRO AND DEPARTING TO LIVE IN US. APARTMENT IS
 SULET FROM HIM, NO CONTRACT SIGNED, UTILITIES AND TELEPHONE
 INCLUDED FOR \$80 AND PAYMENTS BEING MADE THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ARRANGEMENT APPEARS IDEAL FOR MEETING INFORMANTS
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(U) ADDENDUM: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Above arrange-
 ment appears suitable and Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with steps taken by Legat. b7E

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 CC: MR BELMONT
 CC: MR FROHBOSE

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TO LEGAL ATTACHE HAVANA
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A brief synopsis of the background ~~experience~~ and qualifications of each of the above-mentioned Agents is attached. [Redacted] is being instructed by separate communication to report to your office on March 12, 1960. We should discuss this matter thoroughly with him and point out to him that it appears doubtful that any of the [Redacted]

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HAVANA, CUBA

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[redacted] Since this would presumably be an extended assignment, he should also advise whether it is necessary for the Agents assigned to be single or whether married Agents could be utilized and, if so, whether he had contemplated such Agents bringing their families to Cuba or whether he feels families should remain in the United States.

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The Bureau does not wish to correspond with Haverty in Cuba concerning this matter and, therefore, if he cannot furnish the desired information at the time of his discussion with you and feels that an additional survey in Cuba will be

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necessary, the Bureau should be immediately advised so that arrangements can be made for him to return to Miami upon completion of the survey to submit the results.

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(U) After discussing this matter with Haverty, you may wish to have him dictate a letter to the Bureau setting out his views. You should point out to him that this proposal should be given expedite attention so that if it proves feasible

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 3/7/60

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT
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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that summaries of backgrounds of above-mentioned Agents be forwarded to Teague for discussion with Haverty, who will be instructed to report to Miami on 3/12/60. Mr. Belmont concurs with this recommendation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 3/4/60

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

SUBJECT: **UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT**
HAVANA, CUBA

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In Mr. Belmont's memorandum of 2/24/60, it was pointed out that the Legal Attache in Havana believes that one or more [REDACTED]

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We have made a very thorough survey of all Agents having sufficient ability in Spanish to [REDACTED]

(U) [REDACTED] The only possibility would be SA Richard B. Murdock, entered on duty 1/24/55, assigned New York City, married with three

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children, who had summer employment in 1949 and 1950 as engineer's assistant in Utah State Water Department. It, therefore, appears that we do not have Agents who completely fill qualifications suggested by Haverty.

(U) However, we do have two other Agents who are fluent in Spanish and appear to be suitable for undercover assignment who have working experience which might enable us to set up coverage for them. They are (1) SA [] entered on duty 10/11/54, assigned San Diego, single, whose father is now with National City Bank in Santiago, Chile. SA [] resided in Cuba from 1929 to 1937 while father employed there and resided with parents from 1937 to 1944 in Chile. SA [] work background includes three months employment in 1946 as clerk in Wall Street firm of William Cruikshank Sons, a real estate company. He also has three months experience as automobile insurance adjuster in 1954. (2) [] entered on duty 1/3/44, assigned San Diego, married with no children. [] worked under-cover in Argentina during SIS as representative for International General Electric and has two years' experience as managing service and installation of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment. [] and is bilingual in Spanish and English. b7C

Since we do not have Agents to exactly fit covers suggested by Haverty, it is felt that we should outline to him the backgrounds of the above Agents to determine whether he feels any adequate cover could be arranged for them. Haverty has the best knowledge of local conditions in Cuba and we should not attempt to arrange cover other than what he has suggested without consulting him first. Furthermore, if he feels work backgrounds of above Agents are not suitable he may be able to suggest other types of covers for which we could locate Agents with necessary experience. Also, such factors as whether Agents must be single or whether present assignment in San Juan would be disqualifying must be resolved.

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RECOMMENDATION:

If approved, an appropriate letter to SAC, Miami, attaching summaries of background on above Agents, will be prepared and Haverty will be instructed to report to Miami on 3/12/60. Mr. Belmont concurs with this recommendation.

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TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 3/8/60

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

 (U) SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS
HAVANA, CUBA

As noted on the attached routing slip, the Director instructed:
 "With reference to sending 2 undercover Agents into Cuba this can be explored
 but it is not to be consummated until I specifically approve it."

Attached is a letter to SAC, Miami, instructing him to discuss
 this matter with Haverty and to secure additional information concerning
 possible covers. There is also attached a cablegram to Havana instructing
 him to report to Miami for conference on March 12, 1960.

(U) ~~1~~ We will not, of course, make any assignments of undercover Agents
 in Cuba until the matter has been fully explored and the facts presented to the
 Director for his approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached communications be sent.

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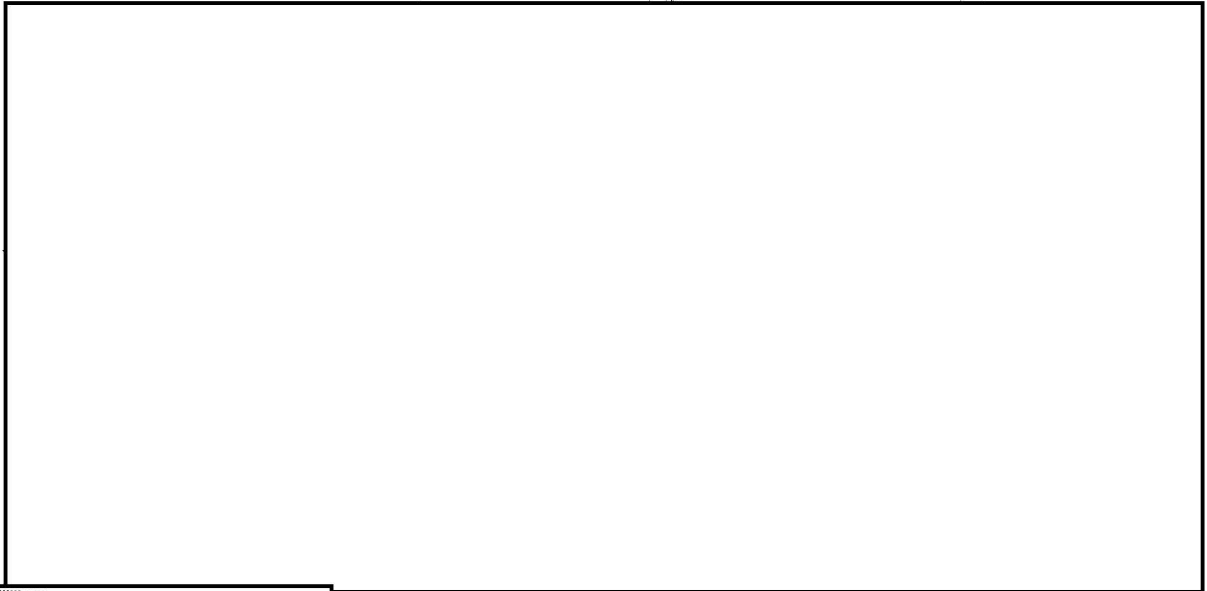
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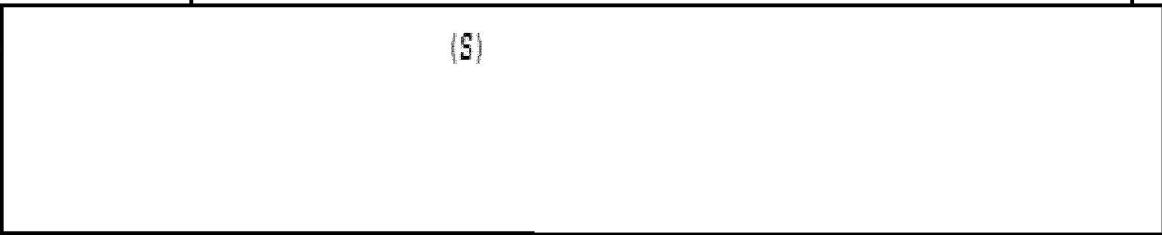
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LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

The situation in Cuba continues to be tense. The Havana Office is taking all possible steps to maintain adequate coverage so that the Bureau will be kept promptly advised of all developments.



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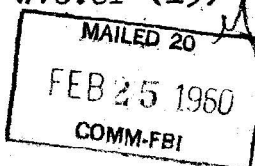


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TO : MR. PARSONS

1-Mr. Parsons DATE: February 24, 1960

1-Mr. Belmont

FROM : MR. BELMONT

1-Mr. Mohr

1-Mr. Callahan

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1-Mr. Donahoe

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SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA- *Cuba*

SYNOPSIS:

As a result of conferences with Legal Attache Haverty on 2/18-19/60, the following action is being initiated:

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(2) Legat authorized to destroy closed files at end of one year for criminal and applicant files and three years for security-type files; forward to Bureau any material, which he feels should not be in office and destroy material in Informant 1-A files each four months.

(3) Manual change submitted eliminating use of airgrams to Havana due to unreliable mail service.

(4) Legat authorized in event of emergency to withdraw personnel without prior clearance but only if there is no time for prior authorization.

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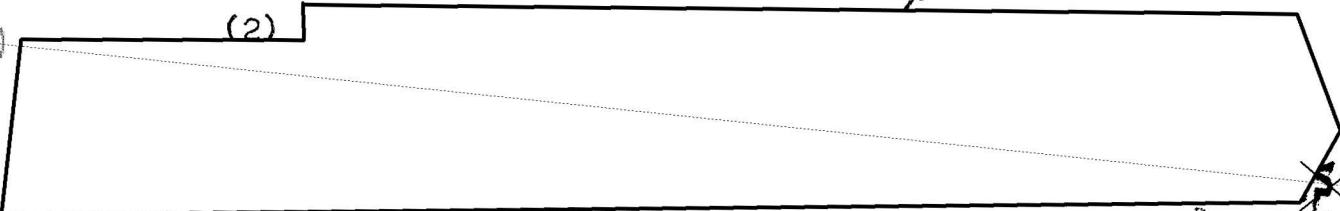
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RE: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

A detailed memorandum is attached. //

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) Attached are letters to Havana, and Havana with copies to Mexico City and San Juan for approval, putting into effect the items in this memorandum and authorizing Legat Havana to follow the procedures set forth herein.

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Doney (3) There is attached a Manual change eliminating encoded airgrams in connection with the Havana Office. They should not be used due to unreliable mail service.

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TO : MR. FARSONS

1-Mr. Parsons

DATE: February 23, 1960

1-Mr. Belmont

FROM : MR. BELMONT

1-Mr. Mohr

1-Mr. Callahan

1-Mr. McGuire

1-Mr. Donahoe

1-Liaison

1-Foreign Liaison Unit

SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

DETAILS:

The purpose of this memorandum is to set forth the items discussed with Legal Attache Haverty and to recommend policy changes brought about by the tense situation presently existing in Havana.

SECURITY OF INFORMANT OPERATIONS:

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Legat was advised that he can proceed to use these [redacted] under the restrictions indicated above unless advised to the contrary and that he is to complete his survey on the safest and most practical method to handle contacts with all informants and furnish it to the Bureau for approval at the earliest possible time.

PHYSICAL SECURITY OF OFFICE:

Legat advises there is potential danger of security of office as a result of possible mob action against the Embassy. In the interest of security, recommended that the volume of files be reduced to a minimum.

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RE: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

PHYSICAL SECURITY OF EMPLOYEES AND FAMILIES:

Legat states Castro has it within his power to incite mob violence at any time. Although things appear to be safe for American personnel under ordinary conditions at the present time, there is always the possibility that through the incitement of mob violence, the lives of American personnel and families would be endangered. The question of whether or not female personnel should be replaced at this time by male personnel was considered and rejected because it would tend to raise a question among other female employees of the Embassy with respect to their position in Cuba and it would have a definite unfavorable psychological effect upon members of the American colony in Cuba who would be particularly conscious of any such action on the Bureau's part at this time. Legat requested that he be granted permission to order the withdrawal of female personnel and the families of Agents to the nearest port in the United States without prior Bureau notification and without waiting on State Department to so authorize.

Action:

The Legat is being authorized to take such action without prior authority with the clear understanding that no such action will be taken except in an extreme emergency where communications may be cut off, mob action, and it is necessary to move fast in order to get the people out of Cuba. Legat does not foresee that this will happen in the immediate future and the Legat is being instructed to obtain authority from the Bureau and the Embassy prior to taking such action if he feels there is time to do so.

EXPANSION OF COVERAGE IN COMMUNIST FIELD AND PUERTO RICAN FIELD:

Legat states these two fields are almost totally neglected at the present time by [REDACTED] b7E

[REDACTED] There is particular need for expansion in the Puerto Rican field due to the fact that the national leaders of the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico (NPPR) have now set up their headquarters in Havana and prominent Puerto Rican communists are reported to be subsidized in Cuba at the present time by the Cuban Government. There is reason to believe that the leaders of the NPPR also are receiving financial remuneration from Cuban officials. Increased problems are anticipated in Puerto Rico since prominent Cuban officials, including Castro, have publicly announced they are in favor of Puerto Rican independence.

Action:

Legat is being advised that he should exploit every possibility for appropriate coverage in the communist field. He is to

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RE: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

give renewed emphasis to attempting to keep in contact with known anticommunist leaders and solicit their assistance in an attempt to penetrate the communist apparatus in Cuba.

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EXPANSION OF COVERAGE IN POLITICAL FIELDS:

The need for even more information of a political nature was discussed with Legat so that the Director may be fully and promptly advised of developments.

Action:

The Legat is being instructed to be alert for items of interest to the Director and to furnish them to the Bureau by cable as obtained.

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EMERGENCY CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION FOR USE IN THE EVENT EMBASSY CLOSES:

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RE: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

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ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL:

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Action:

Legat feels he should continue with the present allotment of personnel because they are physically limited in the amount of space available in the Embassy and further we would have difficulty in obtaining clearance from the Cuban Government for an increase in Embassy personnel.

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UNDERCOVER AGENTS:

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RE: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

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(U) Legat Havana is being instructed to continue to explore other possibilities for [assignment of undercover Agents in Cuba.]

CONFERENCES:

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Action:

(U) Legat Havana is being advised that he will be called to the Bureau for conferences on a quarterly basis and authorized to proceed to Miami at least once a month for conferences with that office regarding the Cuban situation. (S)

TIME SPENT BY LEGAT OUTSIDE HAVANA:

(U) Legat raised the question of whether he should advise the Bureau each time he is absent from Havana for more than 48 hours. (S)

Action:

(U) Legat being advised the Bureau should be advised by cable on an unless advised to the contrary by Bureau basis whenever he leaves Havana on business for a period of more than 48 hours and the cable should state who will be acting in his absence. This rule will continue so long as the tense situation exists in Cuba. (S)

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/14/60

FROM : SAC, Miami (66-2608) ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT

SUBJECT: ~~UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS~~
HAVANA, CUBA

ReBulet 3/9/60 instructing that Legal Attache Haverty, Havana, and writer discuss the above problem.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, Legat came to Miami on Saturday, 3/12/60 and made the following specific observations:

(U) "As to general basic qualifications for any Agent for an ~~undercover assignment~~, I feel that notwithstanding the type of ~~cover assignment~~ he might have, there are certain basic requirements needed.

(U) "(1) That the Agent be single. As the Bureau knows, because of the tense situation in Cuba at the present time, it would be disadvantageous to have assigned an Agent there with an ~~undercover capacity~~ who might feel that his wife or children's personal safety was not secure. In addition, it is doubtful that an Agent's children would be able to carry ~~the deceptive undercover assignment~~. Also the life of a single Agent would permit him to have a wider scope of activity without the necessity for a set routine of family life.

"(2) The Agent assigned should have an excellent command of the Spanish language.

(U) "(3) If possible, the Agent should have the appearance of a Latin. It is to be noted that this Agent in his ~~undercover capacity~~ will have to be meeting sources and informants and that an Agent with typical American

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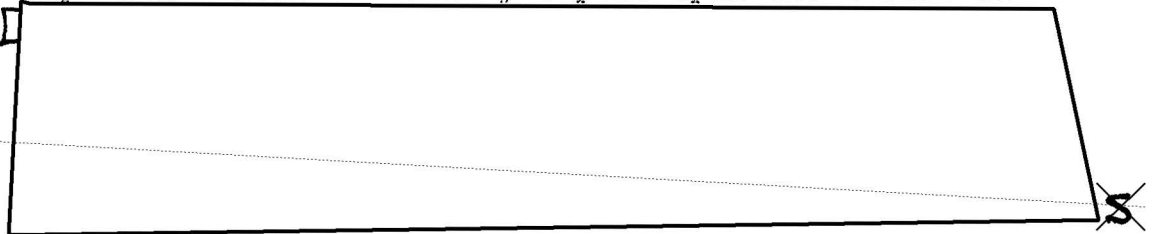
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Characteristics would perhaps be a hindrance and subject to some scrutiny on the part of the local population.

"(4) It is considered that anyone selected should have a minimum of five years' Bureau experience since he would be expected to be aware of the objectives of the Bureau, fully acquainted with Bureau regulations and policy.

"(5) I believe that a minimum of a college degree would be essential in all instances.

"The degree of education and the degree of the experience would certainly depend upon the nature of



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(U) "With respect to whether an Agent presently assigned to the San Juan Office should be disqualified for an undercover assignment in Cuba, Legat feels that if such Agent, while assigned to the San Juan Office has been engaged in the investigation of criminal activities, he should not be disqualified for use in Cuba; however, if his investigations in San Juan have brought him into contact with members of the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico or with Communist Party membership there, it is believe that he should not be considered for assignment in Cuba. As the Bureau realizes at the present time there are various leaders of the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico in Havana, Cuba, and various members of the Communist Party of Puerto Rico have visited Cuba in the recent past. It is expected that various

Members of this organization will continue their travels between Puerto Rico and Cuba. If an Agent assigned to Puerto Rico has been away from that area six or eight years, of course, it is conceivable that if he had no close contact investigating security cases there he could qualify for assignment in Cuba. It would seem that the particular facts in each instance would be the guiding factor.

SUITABILITY OF AGENTS SUGGESTED BY BUREAU

As pointed out above, Legat believes that the Agent assigned by the Bureau should be single. This necessity rules out the following Agents mentioned in referenced letter:



This would leave the two remaining suggested Agents: namely, [REDACTED] as being possibilities for selection. With respect to [REDACTED]

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(U) [REDACTED] in Cuba at the present time. It is foreseeable that it might in some manner qualify him in the advertising, tourist or promotion field. The qualifications of SA [REDACTED] appear to be excellent inasmuch as he has had wide experience in Latin America and his command of Spanish is considered very good. The drawback with respect to this Agent, however, is the fact that he resided in Havana, Cuba, from birth in 1929 until 1937. It is not known whether members of the American Colony in Cuba might have knowledge of his present employment. This would have

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"to be taken into consideration by the Bureau prior to giving any thought to his assignment in [an under-
(U) cover capacity in Cuba.]s

POSSIBLE COVER COMPANIES

"It should be reiterated at this time that in Cuba the present Castro Government has been nationalizing all industries to the extent that there is little opportunity for the ordinary American industries to operate with individual firms throughout Cuba. Also under the present regime in Cuba the authorities there are not permitting firms operating in Cuba to spend U. S. dollars in the exportation of materials into Cuba. This, therefore, limits the use of legitimate business concerns who are operating in that country at the present time inasmuch as instead of increasing personnel they are actually attempting to curtail operations. In substance, most of the businesses in Cuba are Government owned and operated or subject to such Government restrictions which would prevent them from increasing their personnel at the present time.

"Considering the above factors, there comes to mind, after discussion, some apparent possibilities for
(U) [undercover assignments:]s

"(1) Miami Office has an SAC Contact, [redacted]

[redacted] has been most cooperative with the Miami Office and it is known that the Seaboard Railroad has extensive investments in Cuba in the Cuban firm, Dussaq Company. This Cuban concern is a shipping longshoreman and related industry type operation. According to [redacted] who has had many years of friendship

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"With officials of the Dussaq Company, those officials are anti-CASTRO and pro-American. It would seem that in view of the invested interests of the Seaboard Railroad in this Dussaq Company, possibly something could be worked out whereby a representative of the railroad could be assigned to Cuba without any specific qualifications. I feel that an Agent with a legal background would be best suited for an assignment along these lines. He should, of course, know some of the officials, some of the problems and be acquainted with extent of the holdings of the railroad. I feel this is definitely worth further consideration.

"(2) There is a possibility of an assignment in Cuba relating to fight promotion and selection of Cuban boxers. I feel that this would not be a long term type cover, but it would serve possibly on a sporadic type assignment. It will be noted that a contact of the Miami Office, [REDACTED]

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"(3) There appears a possibility for [REDACTED]

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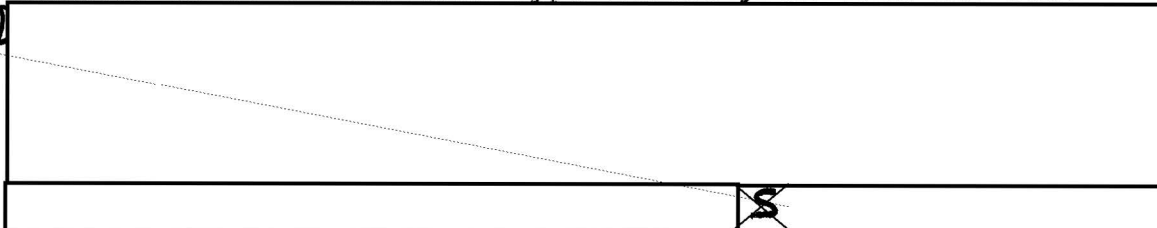
"Of course, this is by no means limiting the possibilities of cover assignments and every effort will be made to thoroughly explore every conceivable enterprise that might be suitably used as a long-time cover. ~~X~~

"Legat advises that he will complete this survey by Friday, March 25, 1960, and will come to Miami on that date to make the results of the survey available to the Miami Office for transmittal to the Bureau, UACB."

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UACB, Legat Haverty will again come to Miami on 3/25/60, after he has had the opportunity to inquire and observe as to a desirable type industry wherein the best

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It is felt that the coming of Legat Haverty to Miami once each month, in accordance with present Bureau instructions, will be most beneficial to this office and to Legat, Havana, since there can be a degree of coordination and interchange of information.

It will be noted that on 3/25/60, the date Legat plans to be back in Miami, SAC J. F. Santoiana, Jr. will probably be in Miami preparatory to the opening of the Tampa Office. Since Legat, SAC Santoiana and I will be together and in view of the importance of the Cuban problem, it is respectfully suggested that should the Bureau consider it warranted, this would be an excellent opportunity for a representative from SOG, probably Assistant Director Belmont, to meet in Miami at that time.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 3/21/60

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

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(U) SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS
HAVANA, CUBA

By letter 3/14/60, SAC Teague furnished results of conference with Legal Attache Haverty on 3/12/60 at Miami stating that Haverty feels any Agent assigned undercover in Cuba should be single, have an excellent command of Spanish and, if possible, the appearance of a Latin. He feels a minimum of five years' Bureau experience is necessary, a college degree and states present or recent assignment at San Juan would disqualify if Agent worked Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico or Communist Party matters there in view of travel of Party leaders between Puerto Rico and Cuba. He does not feel that if Agent had worked only criminal matters in San Juan this would necessarily disqualify for undercover assignment or if service in Puerto Rico had been six or eight years ago. b7E

Of five Agents suggested by Bureau, [redacted]

probably had too little [redacted] b7C
 He felt the fifth Agent, SA [redacted] had excellent qualifications except for [redacted] and it was not known whether members of American colonies in Cuba might have knowledge of his present employment.

He suggested as possible additional covers (1) representative of Dussaq Company, a Cuban concern in shipping, longshoreman and related industry. Seaboard Airline Railroad, in which Miami has SAC contact, has extensive investments in Dussaq Company whose officials are anti-Castro and pro-American; (2) possible assignment relating to fight promotion and selection of Cuban boxers since contact of Miami Office is fight promoter and his brother manages many Cuban boxers; (3) [redacted] Haverty points out there is little opportunity for ordinary American industries to function under present regime since Castro government has been nationalizing all industries. b7E

Haverty is exploring additional possibilities of cover assignments and will return to Miami 3/25/60 for further discussions. SAC Teague suggests that since he, SAC Santoiana and Haverty will all be in Miami on 3/25/60 a representative

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Memorandum to Mr. Mohr
(U) Re: [UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS] HAVANA, CUBA

(U) from Seat of Government, possibly Assistant Director Belmont, come to Miami for discussion of Cuban problem at that time. We are surveying all possibilities of Agents available for undercover assignment in line with limitations imposed by Haverty and in anticipation of additional information we will furnish after conference on 3/25/60.

Mr. Belmont and Mr. Parsons both feel that since [] was just at the Seat of Government in February there was not sufficient justification for Mr. Belmont or a Seat of Government representative to attend the conference in Miami on 3/25/60 and I agree. Actually, Santoiana has postponed arrival date to Miami until 4/7/60 and will not be in Miami on 3/25/60 as Teague states.

RECOMMENDATION:

(1) That upon receipt of additional information from [] after 3/25/60 conference, we determine whether we have any Agent available for undercover assignment meeting qualifications he states.

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(2) That a representative from the Seat of Government not attend the conference on 3/25/60 in Miami between []

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Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

Reference is made to your letter dated 3-15-60, captioned "Undercover Assignments, Havana, Cuba," in which your recommendations and observations were set out as a result of your conference with the Legal Attache, Havana, on 3-12-60. (U)

Your office should render all necessary aid and assistance to personnel of the Havana Office in procuring needed items and necessities which are not available in Cuba. In line with this assistance, you should advise as to the method to be employed in effecting the transportation of the goods obtained.

You must make certain that a pattern does not develop in line with your weekly telephone contacts with the Legal Attache, Havana. Under no circumstances should official business be discussed during these irregular, unscheduled telephone calls.

The recommended longerange plans submitted by you have been reviewed with interest at the Bureau. Following are the Bureau's views with regard to each item:

Item 1 - Emphasize intelligence viewpoint. It is felt activity along this line should be directed toward obtaining and compiling intelligence-type information relating to Cuban and Latin American activities as is presently being effectively done with regard to the Communist Party.

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1-Foreign Liaison Unit (detached) NOTE: See memo Frohbose to Belmont, same caption, 3-24-60. KGC:ef

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To

☒ Director

Att. **Asst. Dir. Belmont** *W*

☐ SAC Title

☐ ASAC **UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS**

☐ Supv. **HAVANA, CUBA**

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For security of instructions and mail relating to this matter, it is suggested all mail be directed to me by name, Personal Attention, and it is requested the Bureau advise as to the proper manner of addressing mail to SOG relating to this matter.

SAC *Lee O. Teague*
LEE O. TEAGUE
MIAMI

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Office

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/15/60

FROM : SAC, Miami

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT

(U) SUBJECT: ~~UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS~~
HAVANA, CUBA

(U) During the time Legal Attache Haverty, Havana, was in Miami on 3/12/60, I discussed with him several problems relating to undercover assignments and to the present condition relating to employees in the Legal Attache's office.

Legat Haverty said it might be possible that conditions would deteriorate, caused by the Castro regime, whereby Agent, employees and families of Bureau personnel might have to be evacuated on short notice. In this respect, it is pointed out that the Miami office has excellent

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I recommend that Bureau grant me authority to

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[] advised that imports of all types are being cut off in entirety or have dwindled to a very minute amount. Specifically, clothing and foodstuffs and other essentials are not being received in Cuba. This includes household necessities. It will become necessary for the personnel in the Legat's office to come to the Florida area to make purchases of such necessities.

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UACB, the Miami office will endeavor to aid the personnel of the Legat's office as the occasion requires.

In view of the tenuous situation existing in Cuba, it is believed wise for a schedule of contacts with the Havana office to be arranged. UACB, I will call the Havana office once each week at irregular and unscheduled times. Under no circumstances will there be any discussion of business over the telephone. However, in the event there is any matter of a critical nature affecting the employees and their safety, Legat could advise me at that time. UACB, I will establish this pattern of contact.

(U) With further amplification on Miami letter of 3/14/60, information came about as to the possibility of an undercover being used in the Dussaq Company through an SAC Contact in Miami. Of course, I have not discussed this matter with the SAC Contact and will not do so until authorized by the Bureau, but I feel that the contact, WESLEY F. FICHT, would be most agreeable and could successfully arrange for a satisfactory cover to permit an Agent to work in an undercover capacity in Cuba. Any action to contact [] will be held in abeyance until Legat has returned to Miami as scheduled on 3/25/60.

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(U) In addition to the possible cover company mentioned in the above paragraph, Miami letter of 3/14/60 referred to

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Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

(U) ~~UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS~~ - HAVANA

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Reurlet 3-31-60 in which you set out information concerning several potential covers. Bureau files reflect that Leeds and Northrop, Philadelphia, refused to co-operate in 1950 with the Bureau Plant Informant Program and this company is therefore not considered a suitable cover. Furthermore, in view of the temporary nature of the boxing promotion cover, the general character of many individuals involved in boxing promotion and the fact that we have no Agent who is single, fluent in Spanish and has any experience in boxing promotion, no further consideration will be given to this cover.

You are authorized to contact [redacted] if you feel that this can be done with complete safety, to discuss with him the possibility of establishing a cover as a representative of the Seaboard Airline Railroad. You should bear in mind that we have no single, Spanish-speaking Agents with background or experience in railroading or transportation. You have been furnished previously with the background of those Agents who appear best suited for under-
(U) cover assignments in Cuba and the background on SA [redacted] is being furnished herewith as an additional possibility. As pointed out previously, the Bureau has a very limited number of single Spanish-speaking Agents who would meet the basic qualifications recommended by Mr. Haverty and none of them has any technical experience or training in the lines of work represented by the cover companies suggested such as transportation, [redacted]

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(U) [redacted] It will therefore be necessary, if a cover is to be established, to work out a suitable position for an Agent without technical background who will have to learn whatever is necessary to know about the business, possibly through some type of short training course with the cover company. Other factors which you must consider are (1) Will the duties of the proposed position be sufficiently flexible to permit his free movement wherever needed by Haverty? (2) Will the position provide sufficient free time for him to be of maximum assistance to Haverty and not be such to confine him for the major portion of his time to regular hours in an office during which he would be of little value to the Bureau? (3) The

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Memorandum to SAC Miami
Re: Undercover Assignments - Havana

order to be of maximum assistance to Haverty. (6) What visa or other requirements are necessary for the Agent and whether these would be handled by the cover company or whether the Bureau would be expected to make such arrangements. (7) How would Agent's salary and other expenses be paid; through company or through Haverty? (8) Since Haverty has indicated that Dussaq-Toral is a Cuban company it would not appear desirable for the Agent to work directly for this company despite the fact that Haverty states its officials are anti-Castro and pro-American. You should advise the Bureau the names of the officials of this company with any information concerning them appearing in your files. You should also advise as to the exact structure of the company and its relations with the Seaboard Airline Railroad, whether it is a wholly owned subsidiary or whether Seaboard Airline simply owns stock in Dussaq. Also determine the exact extent to which Seaboard Airline directs the operations of Dussaq and the identities of any Americans who direct such activities. It is noted that you stated that Mr. Dan Taylor residing in Miami is in charge of operation of sea trains and is unknown to your office. Advise of any information in your files concerning him and whether he is employed by Dussaq or by Seaboard Airline Railroad.

You should furnish the Bureau at the earliest possible date the results of your discussion with Mr. Ficht covering the above points specifically and furnishing all pertinent details concerning the exact duties to be performed by the Agent. You should include your recommendations and those of Mr. Haverty, based on your discussion with Mr. Ficht, as to whether any cover proposed could be operated with maximum security.

During your next scheduled conference with Mr. Haverty in April you should also discuss with him further the proposed cover as a student at a Havana university. Although such cover has the advantage of freedom of action, it is not felt that it would provide as much protection as a cover company. However, it does appear to have sufficient possibilities to warrant further study. It has certain disadvantages which you should discuss with Haverty. (1) Although he states that American students have attended and are now attending the possibility exists that if a new American student were to enter now, in view of the critical situation in Cuba, the question might arise as to why the student picked Havana University when there are a number of large excellent American universities he could attend. This would apply particularly if the scholastic standards at Havana University are not comparable to American universities. (2) Since the University is government controlled it would appear most undesirable to have the university make inquiries at universities formerly attended by the Agent since the

Memorandum to SAC Miami

Re: Undercover Assignments - Havana

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Alumni Association of such schools might well be aware of the Agent's present employment and it would be difficult to place stops at such universities without an undesirably large number of persons becoming aware of the cover assignment. These observations, of course, would not be pertinent regarding American students who are now attending but who entered the University prior to the Castro regime. You should advise the Bureau of Haverty's observations regarding these points and instruct him to obtain and furnish on his next trip to Miami a catalog of Havana University showing the available courses, entrance requirements and details concerning the procedure for an American student wishing to enter. This should include the individual to be contacted, any visa or other requirement for entering Cuba and how these are obtained, whether inquiries are normally made by the Havana University of schools previously attended by students and whether such inquiries are normally confined to scholastic records or whether inquiry would be made concerning the student's background, previous employment etc. He should determine, if possible, approximately how many new American students have entered Havana University recently and what courses they are taking. Also whether the University or resort hotels are advertising in American periodicals for new students to attend Havana University and if so in what periodicals these have appeared with the thought that answering such an advertisement might be a logical approach to entering the University without causing suspicion. Since the school year will presumably terminate in June he should advise whether it would be necessary for the Agent to return to the states during the summer vacation or whether summer courses are offered and whether it would be possible for the Agent to remain during the summer months without arousing suspicion based on the customary activities of other American students at the University. He should advise whether it would be possible and logical for the Agent to enter the University now or whether it would be necessary to wait until the new term starts in the fall. As soon as this information has been obtained from Haverty you should forward it to the Bureau with his recommendations for further evaluation.

The Bureau is exploring further the possibility of a cover position with Wallace & Tiernan Company, Belleville, New Jersey, through the Newark Office.

With regard to the cover suggested of a short survey as to tourist possibilities with the American Association of Travel Agencies, it does not appear that such a temporary cover would be of particular value. However, the possibility of working out a permanent position with a specific American travel agency appears to have possibilities. Haverty should therefore furnish a list of all American travel agencies operating in Cuba. He should also

Memorandum to SAC Miami
(U) Re: Undercover Assignments Havana

indicate whether he has reliable contacts in any of them and whether the operations of any specific agency are such that an Agent without previous travel agency experience could act as a representative without causing suspicion. This would assume of course that some training would be given by the cover company to the Agent prior to his assignment to Cuba. Haverly should advise as to any labor regulations pertaining to Americans in Cuba which would affect an Agent in a cover capacity either with a travel agency or with Seaboard Airline Railroad or Wallace & Tiernan Company. Any restrictions on the types of positions which can be held by Americans in Cuba should be considered. He should also advise whether American employees must register in any way with the Cuban government and if so what checks are made as to their background.

The other action outlined in your letter of 3-31-60 appears to be satisfactory and approval is given to take the action you recommended. You should emphasize to Haverly that setting up a cover and operating it is primarily his responsibility and that while the Bureau will make whatever contacts and arrangements are necessary in the United States, it will be necessary for him to obtain and furnish sufficiently detailed information for the Bureau to be assured that the cover can operate with security and he will have to make all necessary contacts and arrangement in Cuba to establish the cover. He should also be cautioned that in securing the information which the Bureau has requested above he must not make any contacts which would be indiscreet or endanger any cover which might subsequently be established.

SA [] presently assigned at Laredo, Texas, entered on duty 5-3-54, is 32 years of age, was born in Iowa and received Bachelor of Arts with major in Sociology and Law Degree at University of Iowa. He is of Italian descent and has a somewhat Latin appearance. He had one year's experience as an office expeditor. He has been assigned only to continental offices. He is described as having a fluent knowledge of Spanish and major portion of his work is in Mexico. He also has a good working knowledge of Italian.

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SAC, Newark

April 11, 1960

Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

(U) [UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT] HAVANA, CUBA

The Bureau is exploring the possibility of assigning an Agent undercover in Cuba and in this connection Legal Attache Haverly at Havana has indicated that a good possible cover might be with the Wallace & Tiernan Company, Belleville, New Jersey. This firm has widespread interests in Cuba and is presently working on designs and installations of new water works, aqueducts and chlorination of water in Cuba. It is also a large holding company and has done considerable work with the Cuban Government. The firm is interested in buying 25,000 tons of castor oil and has done considerable experimentation with the possibility of raising castor beans in Cuba since the soil there has been found adaptable for this use. The firm is actually interested in promoting the growth and planting of castor beans and in turn buying the castor oil produced from these. It has contact with one of the principal government organizations in Cuba, the National Agrarian Reform Organization which is also interested in raising and marketing the beans. [redacted] reports that the export manager of [redacted] with offices at [redacted]

While we do not have any Agents who are fluent in Spanish, and who have any background in water treatment, chlorination or agriculture, it is felt that this company presents good possibilities for a cover providing a position can be worked out which could be held without suspicion by an Agent without technical background after a period of training with the company.

You should check your indices on Mr. Keller and the Wallace & Tiernan Company. If no derogatory information is developed or reason to make it inadvisable to do so, and unless you have a better established contact in the company you should discuss with Mr. Keller the possibilities of setting up such a cover if it appears that such contact can be safely made.

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During your discussion with Mr. Keller you should determine if the company is agreeable to such cover, and if so, the names and nationalities of individuals both in New Jersey and in Cuba who would

have to be aware of the Agent's identity. These names should be checked through indices and the results furnished to the Bureau. You should also advise the Bureau of the specific duties which the Agent would be expected to perform, bearing in mind that such duties must

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Memorandum to SAC Newark

Re: Undercover Assignment - Havana, Cuba

be of a nature to permit the Agent to be of maximum benefit to the Legal Attache both from the standpoint of freedom of action and mobility, and restrictions imposed by a full time office job which would leave but little opportunity for doing Bureau work. We do have Agents who appear suitable with law training and some office experience. You should advise what type and what duration of training Mr. Keller suggests and where this would be conducted.

This matter should be handled with the greatest discretion and should not be discussed with any more persons than absolutely necessary. You should advise the Bureau as soon as possible of the result of your contact with the Wallace & Tiernan Company.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/19/60

FROM : SAC, Newark

SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT HAVANA, CUBA

ReBulet 4/11/60, marked Personal Attention.

The purpose of this communication is to advise that I have made appropriate check and determined that the best man in the Wallace & Tiernan Company, Belleville, N. J., to contact is Mr. Robert T. Browning, Executive Vice President.

Telephonic contact was had with Mr. Browning and a tentative appointment has been arranged for Friday, 4/22/60.

This matter is being followed and the Bureau will be advised subsequent to the above-mentioned personal contact.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. BELMONT

1-Mr. Belmont DATE: March 24, 1960

1-Mr. Parsons

1-Adm. Div. (Attn: Mr. Tavel)

1-Liaison Section 1-Mr. Papich

1-Mr. Wells

1-Mr. Clark

FROM : MR. FROHBOSE

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SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

SYNOPSIS:

(U) Authorized conference between SAC, Miami, and Legal Attache (Legat), Havana, concerning problems relating to undercover assignments and present conditions affecting employees in Havana conducted on 3-12-60 and a second authorized meeting scheduled for 3-25-60.

SAC, Miami, submitted recommendations and requested authorization regarding specific items: (1) Authority requested to contact

(2) Living necessities and essentials imported to Havana no longer available. Miami Office desires to aid and assist Havana in procuring needed items. (3)

(U) (4) Long-range planning proposals: a. emphasis on intelligence viewpoint. b. Exploit counterintelligence activities by making and publicizing cases within our jurisdiction that are of good propaganda value for U.S. against Castro Government; planting false rumors; and by use of disruptionist tactics. c. Use of Bureau-approved specialized investigative techniques. d. Contacting older pilots of Cubana Airlines for information. e. Investigation of Cuban organizations, similar to investigation of Communist Party matters in U.S. f. Monitoring and recording of broadcasts and appearances of Castro.

Miami suggestions analyzed as follows: (1) Believe desirable to permit Miami to make discreet personal contact with reliable

(U) (2) Miami should assist Havana personnel in obtaining necessities not available in Cuba. (3) Miami should make irregular calls to Havana but be cautious to avoid disclosure of official matters. (4) a. Miami should continue direct investigative effort toward development of intelligence-type information pertaining to Cuban and Latin American activities in U.S. b. Any counterintelligence activity should be directed toward activities of Cuban agents in this country rather than against government in Cuba, no action to be taken without prior Bureau approval. c. Use of specialized investigative techniques should be governed by existing Bureau regulations. d. Contemplated contact with Cubana Airline pilots should be subject of thorough check by Miami and receive prior Bureau authority to preclude contact with Castro intelligence agent. e. Investigation of Cuban organizations

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
Re: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

DETAILS:

(U) As a result of the conference with Legal Attache Haverty on 2/18-19/60, authorization was granted for Legal Attache (Legat) to confer with SAC, Miami, concerning problems relating to [REDACTED]

(U) By letter dated 3-15-60, captioned "Undercover Assignments, Havana, Cuba," the SAC, Miami, and Legal Attache, Havana, set out their current observations and recommendations as derived from the conference on 3-12-60.

PERSONNEL EVACUATION:

Legal Attache was previously granted authority to withdraw personnel without prior clearance when time was of the essence.

Action:

Miami Office has excellent contact with [REDACTED]

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(U) LIVING CONDITIONS:

Imports to Havana of all types are being cut off with such necessities as clothing, foodstuffs and household articles becoming unavailable except by purchase in Florida.

Action:

SAC, Miami, be authorized to render all aid and assistance to personnel in Havana Office in procuring such needed items as the occasion requires. In addition, the SAC and Legat should advise Bureau of arrangements and plans devised to effect the transportation of necessary goods obtained for Havana personnel.

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
Re: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

CONTACTS WITH HAVANA OFFICE:

In view of existing unsettled conditions in Cuba, it is believed wise to establish irregular, unscheduled weekly telephone calls by the SAC, Miami, to the Havana Office. Under no circumstances should official Bureau business be discussed during these calls.

Action:

SAC, Miami, be granted authority to make these irregular, unscheduled contacts with the Legat to enable close contact with Havana employees thereby insuring their safety and speedy removal should circumstances warrant. ~~S~~ (U)

UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS:

Memorandum W. S. Tavel to Mr. Mohr dated 3-21-60, captioned "Undercover Assignments, Havana, Cuba," advises that Legat is exploring additional possibilities for cover assignments which will be discussed at the conference to be held on 3-25-60. Upon receipt of additional information derived from this conference, a determination will be made as to available Agents for this assignment. ~~S~~ (U)

LONG-RANGE PLANNING:

SAC and Legat compiled 8 specific recommendations believed to be necessary with regard to long-range planning and directing investigative activity concerning the Cuban and Latin American situation which are set out as follows:

1. Emphasize the intelligence viewpoint. (Note: This emphasis will be directed toward obtaining and compiling intelligence-type information, as is presently being done with regard to the CP, rather than solely concentrating on obtaining prosecutive-type information.
2. Exploit our counterintelligence activities.
 - a. Making cases resulting in good propaganda for the U.S. against the Cuban Government, such as did the foiled kidnaping of Masferrer.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/31/60

FROM : SAC, Miami

SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

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Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Callahan	
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Mr. Sullivan	
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Mr. Tele. Room	
Mr. Ingram	
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ReBulet 3/25/60, captioned as above, and Bulet
(U) 3/9/60, captioned "Undercover Assignments Havana, Cuba."

[redacted] came to Miami on 3/30/60 and certain agreements and recommendations were arrived at and are set out hereinafter. Specific replies are made to Bulet 3/25/60 as to instructions contained in that particular Bulet.

1. Evacuation Plan

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us and he will notify the Bureau and this office of the suggested names. We will follow through on this to secure the needed authority, endeavoring to make contact and establish sources in these older Cubana pilots.

(U) 7. [Undercover Assignments] ~~S~~

Legat Haverty said that after considerable review, inquiry and observation, he felt that there were several good possibilities to establish undercover agents in Cuba. There are three principal undercover suggestions made by him as listed below.

A. Dussaq Toral

This is a company involved in the shipping business, operation of sea trains from Palm Beach to Havana, the car ferry from Key West to Havana, a sea train from New Orleans to Havana, steamship agents and general transportation matters.

(U) Legat said that most of these trains operate under the Panamanian flag but are actually American companies. He feels that it would provide an agent with an excellent [undercover assignment] and permit the agent to travel through Cuba since these sea trains, after reaching Cuba, go to various points throughout the Island of Cuba.

(U) He felt an [undercover assignment] with this company should be definitely explored and pointed out that a [redacted] is reportedly in charge of the phase of activity in this company relating to the sea trains and that [redacted]

[redacted] is unknown to this office. However, it will be noted from Miami letter 3/14/60 that we

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already have an SAC Contact in this same firm, WESLEY J. FICHT, and it is felt that any approach can be made with safety through Mr. FICHT to further explore this possibility.

Authority is requested for me to make contact with Mr. FICHT and explore the possibility of using this company as a cover.

B. Student at Havana University

(U) Legat states that about 90 per cent of the students are anti-Communist. The University is basically under government control. Americans have attended and are now attending, and it would not create any suspicion as long as the undercover agent was not over 30 years of age. Legat Haverty felt that an agent attending in a graduate capacity, taking architecture, science, philosophy or history would be good but the agent would have to be an expert in the Spanish language. He felt it would not be a good cover to study law or medicine.

C. Wallace and Tiernan Company

Wallace and Tiernan Company, 25 Main Street, Belleville, New Jersey, is a firm with widespread interests in Cuba. It is presently working on designs and installations of new water works, aqueducts and chlorination of water in Cuba. It is a large holding company and has done considerable work with the Cuban government. The firm is interested in buying 25,000 tons of castor oil. He said there had been considerable experimentation done with the possibility of raising castor beans in Cuba and the soil had been found to be adaptable for this use. Therefore, the firm is actually interested

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4-27-60

FROM : SAC, Newark

(U) SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT - HAVANA, CUBA

ReNKlet dated 4-25-60.

A check of the indices of the Newark Office fails to reflect any specific derogatory information concerning the

There was a request by the Washington Field Office in connection with the case entitled, "NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, Was., ETAL, ESPIONAGE-R," in which New York was origin, concerning [redacted] a subject under investigation in instant case, who had been in contact with one

[redacted] This communication was dated 6-10-46. There appeared to be nothing of a derogatory nature determined in the investigation concerning the identity of [redacted]

The Bureau is requested to make a determination as to whether or not the indices there reflect any information which would make it inadvisable to contact [redacted] with reference to the title of this communication.

Newark previously advised
to take no action re contact
of Jack J. [redacted]. No further action
necessary. R. [redacted]

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UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT HAVANA, CUBA

Reurlet 4-25-60.

In view of information set forth in relet, no further consideration is being given to the Wallace and Tiernan Company as a possible cover.

In addition, you are instructed to take no action to explore possibility of effecting a cover through the Lock Joint Pipe Company. Bureau files show that Company has done considerable business in the Dominican Republic and that the Internal Revenue Service wrote off \$1,809,000.00 in kickback by the Company to Truill made during the period 1949 - 1955. Bureau files show that [redacted] was contacted by a subject in the Silvermaster case in 1946. No further action by you on this matter is necessary.

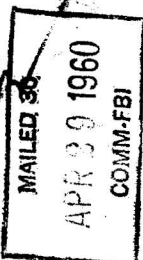
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Based on memo C. R. Davidson to Mr. Callahan dated 4-28-60, RGH:icc:jak



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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/25/60

FROM : SAC, Newark

SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT - HAVANA, CUBA

ReBulet dated 4/11/60 and mylet dated 4/19/60.

On the morning of instant date I personally contacted [redacted] Wallace & Tiernan Company, Belleville, N. J. I tactfully discussed the purpose of my visit, and I might say that Mr. Browning was most cordial and receptive to the idea, however, he advised that while the Wallace & Tiernan Company had in the past conducted considerable activity in water chlorinating projects, as he put it, this activity, since the inception of Castro, is a "dead duck."

[redacted] advised that his company has only one agent in Havana at the present time and another representative of the company makes infrequent visits. He stated that any activity in Cuba now is quite a risk. [redacted] stated, and I certainly agree, it would be rather difficult to cover a Bureau Agent in Havana with the slight activity being conducted by his company at the present time.

It is called to the Bureau's attention that [redacted] expressed a keen desire to be on the alert for any company which possibly could take care of the situation at hand for the Bureau. He did mention a possibility of the Lock Joint Pipe Company of East Orange, N. J., of which company [redacted] President. UACB, I will look into the situation with respect to the latter mentioned company.

In view of the above, it appears definite that no further consideration can be given to the matter or such arrangements being made by Wallace & Tiernan Company.

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May 9, 1960

Director, FBI *64-441-103* PERSONAL ATTENTION

(U) UNDER COVER ASSIGNMENT HAVANA

(U) Reurlet 5-3-60 in which you advised that Legal Attache Haverty felt that questions of undercover assignments in the possible order of importance would be (1) student at University of Havana (2) possible association with Dussaq Toral and (3) possible cover with the Wallace and Tiernan Company, Belleville, New Jersey.

(U) You should advise Haverty on his next trip to Miami that the Bureau has contacted the Wallace and Tiernan Company which indicated that it would not be able to place an agent undercover in Havana since the company at present only has one full time representative there and another representative who makes periodic visits to Havana.

(U) You should also discuss with Haverty on his next visit the matter of demonstrations and violence recently reported among the students in Havana and whether he feels this would make inadvisable placing an agent undercover as a student at Havana University.

1 - Mr. Belmont

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/3/60

FROM : SAC, Miami

ATTENTION: LIAISON SECTION

(U) SUBJECT: ~~UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENTS~~ - HAVANA
Havana, Cuba

Rebulet 4/11/60.

(U) This is to record that Legat Haverty was in Miami on 4/22/60 and reviewed in detail the Bureau's instructions and suggestions in refBulet. He advised that he felt that questions of undercover assignments in the possible order of importance would be: (1) student at University of Havana; (2) possible association with Dussaq Toral; (3) possible cover with the Wallace and Tiernan Company, Belleville, New Jersey.

Legat Haverty advised that before he wanted to make final recommendation, he felt it would be desirable to obtain all the literature and details concerning possible registration at the University of Havana or possibly another university in that area. He advised that either he or Assistant Legat Edward Sweet would bring the material to Miami, probably in the week of May 2-6, 1960.

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(U) In accordance with Bureau authorization provided in Bulet 4/11/60, I contacted [redacted] Seaboard Airline Railroad, as to possible use of the Dussaq-Toral

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(U) Company in connection with Bureau plans. Mr. Ficht was departing from Miami for a few days and I will see him and go over details of this within the next week. Possibilities will be explored as to whether it ~~is~~ feasible to have an Agent in any [undercover capacity] in view of the developments which appear to be going on on a day-to-day basis in Cuba whereby the various American firms are reducing personnel rather than expanding personnel. I will inform the Bureau of the outcome of my discussion with Mr. Ficht.

The material to be brought in by either Mr. [redacted] will be forwarded to the Bureau with the recommendations of Legat, Havana.

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TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 4-28-60

FROM : C. R. Davidson

SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER ASSIGNMENT HAVANA

In connection with exploration of possibilities of assigning two Agents Undercover in Cuba, it was approved by memo 4-11-60 that SAC, Newark be instructed to advise whether that office has reliable contact in Wallace and Tiernan Company, Belleville, New Jersey, or whether his files reflect any reason why it would be inadvisable to contact that company. If not, he was to explore possibilities of a nontechnical cover with that company. The Wallace and Tiernan Company was one of the possible covers suggested for exploration by Legat Havana.

By letter 4-25-60 SAC, Newark advised on that date he personally contacted [redacted] of Wallace and Tiernan, who although most cordial and receptive to the idea advised that the activity in which the company had engaged in the past in water chlorinating in Cuba has been dead since the inception of Castro. The company has only one agent in Havana now and another representative of the company makes infrequent visits. Any activity in Cuba now is quite a risk and Mr. Browning added it would be difficult to cover an Agent there with the slight activity being conducted by the company. [redacted] mentioned the possibility of a cover with the Lock Joint Pipe Company, East Orange, New Jersey, [redacted] SAC stated unless advised to the contrary he would look into a possible cover with the latter-mentioned company.

No further consideration is being given to a cover with Wallace and Tiernan Company. With regard to the Lock Joint Pipe Company, Bureau records show that this company has conducted a considerable bit of business in the Dominican Republic. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) wrote off \$1,809,000.00 in kickback by the company to Trujillo during the period 1949 - 1955. The company established, and IRS agreed, that payoffs to Trujillo were ordinary business expenses for any American company doing business in the Dominican Republic. This information regarding the kickback came to the attention of Senator John Williams of Delaware who read to the then Commissioner of the IRS, Russell Harrington, from an IRS report that the Lock Joint Pipe Company has been allowed to deduct payoffs to Trujillo. Harrington ordered an investigation as to leak to Senator Williams. With regard to [redacted] Bureau files show that in 1946 [redacted] a subject in the Silvermaster case was in contact with [redacted] The significance of this contact is not known.

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1 - Mr. Belmont

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Legal Attache, Mexico City (66-43)

May 4, 1960

Director, FBI

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LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

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Reference is made to Mexico City's letter dated 4-20-60, which is in reply to Bureau's letter of 2-24-60. Rebutel instructed you to select from your present informants and contacts several individuals who could be used in the event of an emergency as couriers to contact informants and sources in Cuba. Your letter of 4-20-60, sets out nine separate informants that you consider to be available for use as couriers. To further assist the Bureau and the Havana Office in evaluation of the services and abilities of these informants, you should furnish a brief, descriptive paragraph on each informant to be considered. Information pertaining to their ability, employment, special aptitudes and facilities that would merit their selection for this type of assignment should be furnished. You should also include any known handicaps which would impede their operations. ~~S~~

(U) Specific comment is desired with respect to [redacted] and his ability to operate in Cuba inasmuch as Mex-155 has previously advised that [redacted] is included as a FBI informant on a list which he observed in the possession of a Cuban Communist Party member. b7D

(U) This matter should receive your prompt attention with the above-requested information submitted on or before June 6, 1960. Two copies of letter dated 4-20-60, from Legal Attache, Mexico City are being furnished to Legal Attache, Havana for information.

1 - Havana (Enclosures-2) (For information)

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (detached)

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NOTE: Above information is needed by the Bureau and Legal Attache, Havana for further evaluation in the establishing of long-range planning for emergency channels of communication with Cuba in the event diplomatic relations with Cuba are severed or severed.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *JFD* LEGAT, MEXICO (66-43)

SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

DATE: 4/20/60

ReBulet to Legat, Havana, 2/24/60.

(U) With reference to the maintenance of emergency channels of communication with sources and informants in Cuba, should diplomatic relations with Cuba be broken, the following informants of the Mexico City Office would be available for travel to Cuba as couriers in the event of emergency: [redacted] and [redacted] Complete background information on these informants is in the possession of the Bureau. b7D

There are strong indications at present that, should diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States be broken, Mexico would also follow suit. In this event the problem of sending Mexican nationals to Cuba to act as couriers would necessarily be complicated.

With reference to the problem of securing information regarding the activities of the NPPR leaders who are presently residing in Havana, it is noted that [redacted] is personally acquainted with [redacted]

In the event of an emergency it is entirely possible that this informant could be utilized to make a trip to Cuba to contact these individuals. b7D
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Extra copies of this communication are being furnished to the Bureau for transmittal to the San Juan Office and Legat, Havana, for information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/12/60

FROM : Legat, Mexico (66-43)

SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, HAVANA

Remylet 4/20/60 and Bulet 5/4/60.

(U) The selection of the nine Mexico City informants mentioned in relet of 4/20/60 was based upon the criteria of their availability for travel, their reliability based on their work for this office over a period of years, and the belief that they were mentally and physically equipped to handle assignment as couriers in case of an emergency. ~~S~~

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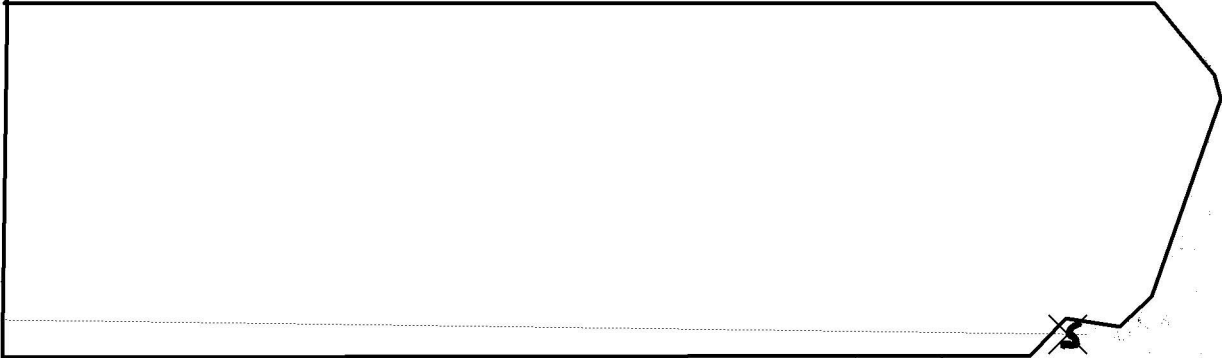
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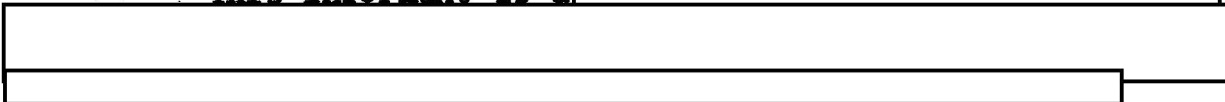


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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 23, 1960

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana

SUBJECT: FOREIGN OFFICE ADMINISTRATION
HAVANA

ReBulet April 28, 1960.

I. PERSONNEL

At the present time the following are the personnel assigned to the Legal Attache Office, Havana, Cuba:

Special Agents	3
Clerk Stenographers	2
Clerk Typist	1

The caseload for the office during the previous three months has been as follows:

April	180	Closed 76
March	169	Closed 74
February	170	Closed 42

Agent personnel handle 19 informants.

During the past three months the delinquency in all categories has been as follows:

April	5.91%
March	7.98%
February	3.70%

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The average overtime put in by Agent personnel assigned has been as follows:

April	3 hrs. 52 min.
March	5 hrs. 00 min.
February	3 hrs. 43 min.

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RE:
FOREIGN OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

5/23/60

The Communist Party of Cuba, which is now 100 per cent in favor of the policies of Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO and which has been able to entrench itself in Government positions, especially in the police, is, of course, violently anti-FBI. Inasmuch as they have run out of former Batista supporters to persecute, they have turned their force and vigorous attention into attempts to ferret out and expose FBI operations. The Government-controlled newspaper "Revolucion" has openly declared that over 500 FBI Agents are operating in Cuba. A number of people have been arrested, including newspapermen, and the Government police agents have claimed that they were actually FBI Agents masquerading as reporters. [redacted] and [redacted] all have (U) been subjected to arrest and attempts made to link them in investigative operations with the U. S. Embassy and the Office of the Legal Attache. CASTRO, himself, has made mention of the FBI, and both he and his brother, RAUL, who actually heads all armed forces including the police, have decried the fact that Cubans publicly applauded the showing of "The FBI Story."

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In order to safeguard contacts with informants, "safe houses" have been established where these informants might be met. Radios have been installed in these places which are continually turned on when the informant is being interviewed. There is no longer any rapid, direct covering of leads by informants. Two Agents are always used in meeting a source, with one tailing the other as a counter-surveillance protection. Informants no longer are rendering formally written reports and are instructed to carry no notes or other data on their person which could be construed as indicating any investigative or other activity associated with informant or espionage operations. Telephone calls from informants to the Office of Legal Attache have been suspended entirely as many times a telephonic conversation could be used to identify a voice, even though a meeting place and meeting time are not mentioned.

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(U) [redacted] With respect to recent apprehensions of [redacted] and [redacted] it is to be noted that all these informants are actually investigative or lead-covering informants and, therefore, have to make inquiries in order to secure information, unlike informants such as [redacted] who cover Communist Party activities and report merely what they hear and observe.

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Legal Attache, Havana

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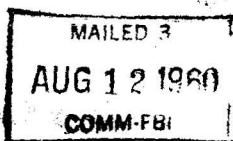
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For your information, the Bureau has been furnished a copy of a State Department dispatch to all American diplomatic and consular posts, captioned "Restrictions on the Shipment of Household Effects and Dependent Travel to Cuban Posts." That dispatch was dated 7-14-60.

(U) The dispatch stated that as a result of the present unstable conditions in Cuba, dependents of U. S. Government employees assigned to Cuba will not be authorized to accompany personnel to that post until further notice. Likewise, inward shipments of household effects of newly assigned employees are not being authorized.

(U) The above is for your information although for the time being it does not present a problem to your office.

1-Foreign Liaison Unit (detached)

NOTE: Based on memorandum Bartlett to L'Allier dated 8-4-60, captioned "LEGAL ATTACHE, HAVANA."



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